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**HPI APPOINTS GORDON SIMS AS DIRECTOR OF LIGHT INDUSTRIAL & AERODERIVATIVE TURBINES**

**HOUSTON** (June 23, 2014) – Demonstrating its commitment to expanding its service offerings beyond turbo machinery controls, Houston-based custom-turbine solutions provider, HPI, recently appointed industry veteran, Gordon Sims, as Director of Light Industrial and Aeroderivative Turbines.

Sims will oversee services related to the maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO) of light industrial and aeroderivative turbines, while directing business development and sales activities for the division.

Sims began his career in Winnipeg, Manitoba at Standard Aero, the world’s largest independent, small gas turbine engine and accessory repair overhaul facility. Over the span of 27 years, Sims enjoyed a progressive career with the company, going from a mechanic to roles as Energy Services Director and Regional Sales Manager for the southwest United States and Latin America regions.

Most recently, Sims worked as Regional Sales Manager for MTU Maintenance in San Antonio, Texas, where he significantly grew the company’s market share within North America and aided in the opening of a regional Level II support facility. MTU Maintenance is the largest, independent provider of commercial engine maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO) services in the world.

HPI President and CEO, Hal Pontez, finds the addition of Sims to be promising for the company.

“We are delighted to welcome Gordon to the team. He is a strong, out-of-the-box thinker that thrives on building unique offerings for both the customer and the business. His experience and expertise will be invaluable as we continue to expand our offerings beyond controls and into MRO services,” Pontez says.

**About HPI**

HPI is one of the turbo machinery industry’s leading providers of customized turbine solutions and services. Founded in 2002, the company offers engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) of turn-key power plants; maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO) and mechanical field services in addition to custom controls. Expanding upon its original business model, the company is also a qualified provider of turbine refurbishment solutions in the nuclear and marine vertical markets.

For 13 years, HPI has continued to grow at a rate of 200% annually, landing the company on the Houston Business Journal’s Fast Tech 50 for four consecutive years and the Houston Chronicle’s “Leading Companies” lists since 2012. For more information please visit [www.hpi-llc.com](http://www.hpi-llc.com)

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